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#### ONTARIO LACROSSE ASSOCIATION IN-SEASON PARTICIPATION RESTRICTIONS

TORONTO, ON – May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023 – The Ontario Lacrosse Association (OLA) reaffirms its support for the position of Lacrosse Canada in regards to any organization that is not sanctioned by Lacrosse Canada or World Lacrosse.

## LACROSSE CANADA OPERATIONS MANUAL, SECTION 5: PARTICIPANT ELIGIBILITY

Domestically and internationally, no registered Junior and under participant may play or participate in any non-approved competition, namely any competitions non-approved by World Lacrosse or any of its National Governing Bodies (NGB) including Lacrosse Canada (LC), and Provincial or Territorial Sport Organization (P/TSO) without first obtaining the permission of their LC Member Association. Any participation in non-sanctioned events will result in loss of eligibility for all National Championships and Team Canada events.

## ONTARIO LACROSSE RULES & REGULATIONS, SECTION R 6.07

### R6.07(a)

Players who are registered, protected, or rostered with any team in the Corporation shall not play or sign with any other team in any other competing league without the written permission of the OLA VP of Junior to Major. The leagues of recognized academic institutions are exempt.

#### R6.07(b)

Players who sign or play in another league or association without authorization shall be suspended for the balance of that season and for the entire season following, and are deemed to be not in good standing with the Corporation.

Participation by any OLA-registered volunteers, coaches, officials, athletes and/or teams with non-sanctioned competition is a violation of the Terms and Conditions of OLA membership. Unsanctioned competition includes, but is not limited to, league play, exhibition play, camps, clinics, showcases, or other events that are not part of the Ontario Lacrosse program schedule. On registration, and as of this directive, OLA members are hereby notified and reminded of the enforcement of this policy.

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# Ontario Lacrosse / Lacrosse Canada Sanctioned Leagues & Programs:

Box Lacrosse	Minor & Men's Field Lacrosse	Women's Field Lacrosse
Major Series Lacrosse	Ontario Senior Men's Field	Ontario Women's Field
Women's Major Series Lacrosse	Ontario Junior Men's Field	Junior Elite Women's Loop
Ontario Senior Lacrosse	Ontario Minor Field	Team Ontario Field
Senior Series Lacrosse	Team Ontario Field	EPIC Field Lacrosse
Ontario Junior Lacrosse	EPIC Field Lacrosse	
Ontario Junior "B"		
Ontario Junior "C"		
Zone Play (Minor Box)		
Ontario Girls Box Lacrosse		
Team Ontario Box		
EPIC Box Lacrosse		